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## **Update on quality in Medicare Advantage plans**

**ISSUE:** What are the results of the most recent performance measures on quality in Medicare Advantage (MA) plans? What is the extent of variation in performance among different plans and plan types? How are beneficiaries made aware of plan performance measures? How does plan performance compare to the quality of care in the fee-for-service Medicare system?

**KEY POINTS:** In this session we provide a description of the quality and consumer satisfaction measures for MA plans, an update on the performance of MA plans on these measures using the most recent data available, and a brief discussion of how the information on Medicare plan performance is conveyed to the public and to Medicare beneficiaries.

**ACTION:** Commissioners should provide guidance on particular areas of interest as we examine MA plan performance on quality measures.

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